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ITALY.

Report from Naples.

NAPLES, ITALY, July 18, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended July 18, 1900, the following ship was inspected: On June 12, the steamship *California*, of the Anchor Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 313 steerage passengers and 32 pieces of large and 307 pieces of small baggage. Twelve pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The Surgeon-General,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Translation.]

Plague quarantine against Paraguay.

Washington, D. C., July 27, 1900.

SIR: I have received from the royal ministry of the interior and have the honor to communicate to you the following telegram:

"Rome, July 27, 1900.

"Italian Embassy, Washington, D. C.:

"An order of this day applies to vessels coming from Paraguay, which is declared to be infected with plague, the provisions of Orders No. 36 of 1897, Nos. 6 and 7 of 1899, and Nos. 1, 8, 10, and 20 of 1900.

"ROMANIN JACUR."

Accept, Mr. Secretary of State, the assurances of my highest consideration.

FAVA.

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

MEXICO.

Report from Vera Cruz.

VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, July 28, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended July 28, 1900: Cases of yellow fever, 14; deaths, 7. Cases of smallpox, 5; deaths, 7. Deaths from all causes, 35. The health in the shipping is excellent, and the disinfection of all outgoing baggage is efficiently done by the local health authorities. During the past two weeks I have inspected, and issued bills of health to 16 vessels, and have certified to 258 passengers.

From Dr. Geo. A. Ribenack, an American physician on the isthmus of Tehuantepec, I learn that the yellow fever there has about subsided. The doctor reports in his last letter to me that there were only 3 deaths in Coatzacoalcos from July 18 to July 26, none being from yellow fever.

Respectfully,

SAML. H. HODGSON,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U.S. M. H.S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
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